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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PINT, MZ SUBJECT: DEMOCRATS ORGANIZE LARGE PRO-FRELIMO RALLY IN LOURENCO MARQUES

1. DEMOCRATS OF MOZAMBIQUE ORGANIZED PRO-FRELIMO RALLY ON AUGUST 4 IN BULL RING OF LOURENCO MARQUES. WITH CROWD ESTIMATED AT 20,000 (ABOUT 5 PERCENT WHITE) FILLING UP ARENA, RALLY WAS LARGEST POLITICAL GATHERING IN MOZAMBIQUE TO DATE. MOOD WAS FESTIVE, WITH PEOPLE SINGING, DANCING, AND CHEERING. ARENA WAS DECKED WITH PRO-FRELIMO BANNERS, PICTURES OF SAMORA MACHEL, AND FRELIMO FLAGS. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WM PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS ADDRESSING CROWD WERE: ABNER SANSAO MUTEMBA, DIRECTOR OF VOZ DE MOCAMBIQUE AND FORMER POLITICAL PRISONER, WHO SPOKE IN BOTH PORTUGUESE AND CHANGANE AND REPEATEDLY LED CROWD IN SINGING OAU HYMN "GOD BLESS AFRICA"; ADRIAO RODRIGUES, LAWYER AND ACTIVE DEMOCRAT LEADER; AND AMOS MAHONJANE, FRELIMO MILITANT FROM TANZANIA, WHO ADDRESSED CROWD IN CHANGANE.

3. SPEAKERS STRESSED FOLLOWING THEMES: INDEPENDENCE, MULTI-RACIAL SOCIETY (MUTEMBA CALLED FOR PATIENCE AMONG WHITES BECAUSE BLACKS, AFTER 500 YEARS OF HEADS TO GROUND, ARE NOT ENLIGHTENED AND DISTRUST EVERYTHING AND EVERYBODY), PEACE (MUTAMBE STATED WAR HAS ENDED EXCEPT IN FEW ISOLATED PLACES), IMPORTANT ROLE OF MOZAMBICAN YOUTH FOR FUTURE, NEED FOR UNITY, AND SACRIFICES REQUIRED BY ALL TO MAKE MOZAMBIQUE PROSPEROUS COUNTRY.

4. ONLY BANNER WITH ANTI-AMERICAN TONE STATED: "OUT JOANA (SIMIAO), (URIA) SIMANGO, AND CIA".

5. COMMENT: SINCE SIMILAR RALLIES TOOK PLACE IN SUCH URBAN AREAS AS JOAO BELO AND BEIRA WITHOUT VIOLENCE, DEMOCRATS AND PRO-FRELIMO SYMPATHIZERS APPEAR TO BE MAKING PROGRESS IN CREATING CLIMATE FOR PEACEFUL TRANSITION TO FRELIMO-DOMINATED MOZAMBIQUE GOVERNMENT. WALKER BT

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